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Dear Commissioner Menge:

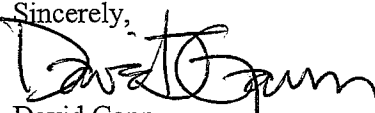
RE: Thorne Bay Coastal Management Plan, Final Plan Amendment

The Office of Project Management and Permitting has prepared the final recommendation in accordance with 11 AAC 114.350 (j) for the Thorne Bay Coastal Management Plan. Attached are the Final Findings and Conclusions document summarizing our recommendations, the district enforceable policy analysis table, and the designated area analysis table. Both tables detail the justification for the policies and designations and repeat our recommendations.

Per 11 AAC 114.345 (k), you have 15 days to approve the plan in whole or in part. The 15-day period ends on August 23, 2006. OPMP will send plans approved in whole or in part to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management for their approval as a routine program change to the ACMP.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (907) 465-3529 or by e-mail at david_gann@dnr.state.ak.us.

Sincerely,



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